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For : DIGITAL CAMERA WITH MOVEABLE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was previously filed, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Initially, Applicant notes that the present application has features similar to some of those of 27 commonly-assigned patent applications which were all filed on August 25, 2003 and the commonly-assigned patent application which was filed on February 20, 2003. These 28 commonly-assigned patent applications are listed as follows: 10/646,748, 10/646,872, 10/646,824, 10/646,711, 10/646,735, 10/646,836, 10/646,871, 10/646,908, 10/646,788, 10/646,724, 10/646,736, 10/646,882, 10/646,884, 10/646,907, 10/646,835, 10/646,723, 10/646,698, 10/646,811, 10/646,771, 10/646,860, 10/646,895, 10/646,772, 10/646,812, 10/646,859, 10/646,712, 10/646,759, 10/646,800, and 10/368,342.

Applicant notes that below-identified documents (1)-(8) were identified by a U.S. Patent Examiner in an Office Action in at least one of the above-noted 27 co-pending, commonly assigned patent applications:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,937,609;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 4,974,949;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,099,263;
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,210,644;
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 5,376,983;
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 5,636,062;
- (7) U.S. Patent No. 5,870,232;
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 5,912,772;

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following document:

- (9) U.S. Patent No. 5,548,446.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. The above-noted documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the Merits has not issued in the instant application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted materials. However, if an Office Action on the Merits has issued, and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p), to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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